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CANADA PROGRAM

1. Work is going on steadily and sometime late this year there will be ready a very handsome album for Canadian stamps, one that any collector will be proud to own.

First edition will consist of 3000 numbered registered albums. About 1,600 are spoken for. Not possible to quote a price on it at present but if interested please write in now, as second edition will not come out until 1958.

2. At same time as above album, there will appear an illustrated Canada postage catalogue. Beautiful plates based on finest possible photographic reproductions of the actual stamps, will show every major postal variety ever issued by Canada.

3. Matching above in attractive usefulness will be an easy to handle priced check list, one that will show at a glance the progress of any collectors Canadian collection. No quotations as yet on these last two but they will be inexpensive.

Soon as above is completed work will commence on a matching series of albums dealing with such Canadian specialities as revenues, precancels, perf OHMS, other perfins, various cancellations, etc., etc.

(Also will be bringing out a special album for the stamps of Liberia along with priced check lists.)

Still clearing out various foreign oddments accumulated over the past 30 years. Name your specialty and perhaps a selection can be sent out. For example have on hand a marvellous array of early Austria including thousands of the first issue imperfs. Egypt is also well represented but there is a little of everything even U.S.A. ($100.00 gets a rather nice collection of fancy cancels on the large 2c and 3c late 19th century U.S.A. issues). All are worthwhile lots and collections, running in value from $10.00 to as high as $8,000.00.

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Popular Stamps

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FIPEX STAMP SHOW

New York.—As the doors closed on the Fifth International Philatelic Exhibition on Sunday evening, May 6, the comments from every side confirmed the pre-show prediction that FIPEX would be the finest international stamp show ever staged anywhere. Records were broken in every phase of activity connected with the huge undertaking.

During the nine-day show the total attendance was 268,000, an increase of 34 percent over the previous high established at CIPEX in 1947. The opening day, April 28, established a new record for a single day's attendance at an international stamp show when 60,000 persons went into the New York Coliseum to see Fipex. Attendance on Saturday, May 5, was 46,000 which also exceeded the previous high for one day.

Largest transaction reported by a prominent dealer was the sale of a single stamp for $8,000. The special Fipex Post Office did a land office business with long lines in front of all windows most of the time. Late in the week it was reported that 2,013,019 copies of the souvenir sheet had been sold. At the same time 5,251,299 three cent Coliseum stamps, 510,000 air mail envelopes and 1,080,000 post cards had been sold. These figures are incomplete and it will be several days or a week before the final figures are available.

First Day cancellations were applied to 88,470 souvenir sheets and 370,935 covers bearing the three-cent Coliseum stamp at the Fipex Post Office, it was reported by Department officials. First day figures for the other two issues were not available at the time this was written.

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The East Toronto Stamp Club Bulletin extends their sympathy to Mr. Herbert Buckland in the death of his wife. Popular Stamps also adds their sympathy to Mr. Buckland who formerly was a valued employee at the Toronto post office and since retirement has been a resident at Port Perry.

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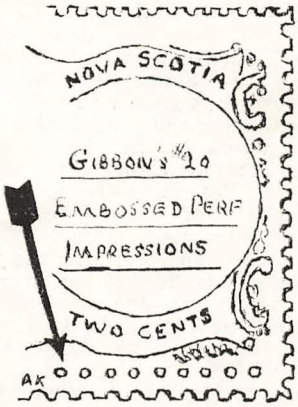

Sketch 377—Nova Scotia Gibbons No. 20 with an extra line of embossed perfs but not cut through. On cover loaned us by Dr. Lewis R. Morse.

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The HOLLOW TREE

By Ed. Richardson

#312—Montreal Parcel Delivery

Now comes along a new variety of these local parcel delivery stamps to report. The "King's Express Co." stamp was discussed in packets #187 and 205, and two varieties of "The City Parcel Delivery" stamps were reported in #209. This new one reads "Montreal Parcel Delivery" in three lines, is red, rouletted, and nearly square, being 31mm x 31½mm. In small letters in a panel across bottom is "Tel Main 1703" in caps. The paper is medium wove with very distinct vertical mesh.

I am not sure of the size of the sheets but judge them to have been issued in sheets of 25, 5 x 5. I have seen a block of ten (5 x 2) which formed the bottom two rows of five. The marginal stamps have straight edges. They are fully gummed. More information would be welcomed.

#313—4d Counterfeit, P.E.I.

This is a new one, not mentioned in "Album Weeds," nor in "The Forged Stamps of all Countries" by Dorn, nor by Quarles in his APS Journal series on P.E.I. a few years ago, nor by Jarrett.

This 4d forgery is rather good. I have two copies each bearing different cancels, one with the circular "Charlottetown." The main differences between them and the genuine stamps:

Shading lines behind head are irregularly spaced.

The small ovals in the side ornaments have no trace of shading on their right side.

The right side ornament comes to a point on it's right side, the genuine shows this "squared off."

In the upper right ornament there are no dots of color,—the genuine has a row of four dots.

The perforation guage on these measures 11.6 all round. However the perforations are blunt, all having the appearance of being cut, rather than the normal "torn" appearance.

#314—Canadian Pacific Letter Sheets

These were "Special Order" letter sheets especially prepared for the C.P.R. to send out their monthly "Statement of Earnings and Expenses." They are Jarrett #179-180 and Holmes #1350-1350a. They are approx. 6½"x 7¾", are of the 1c denomination, of same design as the 1c wrappers of 1892, and are in black. However these are on Laid Paper, which is not found in the regular wrappers or postal bands.

Holmes #1350 (Jarrett's #180) on white laid paper was probably the first issue. Jarrett gives the date as 1893, Holmes as 1894. My own copy is dated 1894.

Holmes #1350a (Jarrett's #179) on grey-blue laid paper was probably the second issue. Holmes gives the earliest date as 1895. My own copy is dated January 1898.

If you have difficulty determining which you have, take a look at the laid lines. They are coarse lines measuring 13 lines to the 20mm. space on the white paper variety, while those on the grey-blue paper are finer, measuring 15 lines to the 20mm. space.

#315—Musgrove's National Business College Bill Stamps

Way back in H. T. Packet #92 of November 1950 we reported obtaining a copy of the 2c value of this series of Canadian Bogus "Locals." We have since completed our set of three values, 1c, 2c and 3c, as originally reported by F. W. Pollock in his Canadian column in 1942. All are vermillion on white wove paper, and are perf. 12¼. Their origin is unknown but it is not unlikely that Samuel

Taylor was the fabricator. There is nothing to definitely prove they were intended as Canadian "Locals," but the words "Bill Stamp" unused in the U.S., definitely give them a Canadian flavor.

#316—Ontario Vacation, Unlisted Variety

One of the really outstanding rarieties among the Ontario Revenue stamps, is Holmes #OV8A, erroneously described as "Block, one stamp with figure of value ommitted." The correct description appears in Marks, #OV8A "Pair, one stamp with figure of value ommitted." Why the difference? I had hunted a long time for this variety and at long last located an Upper Left corner block of four. Straight edged top and left. Both stamps in the vertical left row are without the overprinted value,—not, as implied by Holmes Cat.,—one stamp.

However, no sooner did I complete my set of mint blocks, including the above variety, than Charlie Armstrong reported he had seen this same variety in the block of the $1.00 value.

But now the hunt is completed, I have also located a block of six of this value, with three stamps without the overprint. From Charlie I understand there are at least two other blocks known. There should be possibly ten pairs of both values. I'd like to hear from others owning these varieties.

Used copies of these Vacation stamps do not seen to be easy to come by. The only used multiple I have is a used block of six of the $5.00 value. This, like all other used $5.00 copies I've seen, is punched with large round holes, badly defacing the stamps. Has anyone seen any other type cancellation?

The current attraction was a Western and the horde of Indians in it were up to their usual tactics, Hollywood style.

A small boy and his father, definitely of Indian extraction, filed out with the crowd at the end of the show. "That was a swell movie, Daddy," the boy was heard to remark, "but don't WE ever win?"

Advertising will gain new customers

SISSONS AUCTION PRICES

A few prices realized at Sissons April 4th and 5th auction sale at Toronto: 1784 stampless cover Quebec fancy double circle, Bishop Mark 11 DE 72-50; 1857 ocean mail cover 8d STG 10d CY scarce hand stamp London May 25, 1857, Canada to England 12.50; Military Cover Canadian Contingent Jul 25, 1900, South Africa franked with 1d Gt. Britain "On Active Service" to Nova Scotia 4.25; 1851 3d laid paper used vert. pair with margins nearly all around, target cancel 46.00; 6d laid paper, used brownish violet, 3½ large margins, full target cancel, F. 45.00; used 10d blue on wove paper, margins nearly all around 42.50; used 1c orange, 10c magenta, 5 copies each, small cents, 7.50; mint block 6c red brown, horiz. block of 18, centred to right, good to F. 18.50; mint 8c registration, well centred but creased, fine 7.50; mint 1897 Jubilee ½c to 50c fine 15.50; mint block 1897 Jubilee 6c yellow brown, very fine 18.00; $1 Lake, mint very fine 15.00, $2 purple, fine mint, 25.00; $3 lightly cancelled used VF 41.00; $4 magenta cancel VF used 32.00; $5.00 light town cancel, jumbo margins, superb 47.50; 50c used Edw. VII light dated cancel, superb 11.00; ½c-20c centered fine to VF mint Que. Tercent. 19.00; $1 Parliament mint block, superb 40.00; 50c Grand Pre mint block, VF to superb 27.00; In 1868 large cents—½c mint block, well centred, superb 10.50; 1c red brown wmk. TH very fine used 9.50; 1c thin paper, 4 lightly cancelled used copies, F. to superb 13.00; 1c orange yellow, horiz. pair, light target cancel, F. 9.50; 2c green M, thin paper, VF, 15.50; cover 2c with 1c deep orange, fine copies tied with light target cancel to choice cover Brightop Ap 28, 69 U.C. to Demorestville, Ont. 20.00; 3c used cancelled fancy Oshawa "No. 31" in star, fine 9.50; 3c lightly cancelled copy with stitch wmk., very good 18.00; 5c olive green 4 fine used copies tied to piece 20.00; 6c brown used centered copy VF 20.00; 12½c blue O.G. fine 10.00; 15c mint red lilac, thick paper, well centered O.G. fine copy 10.00; 15c deep violet, light Victoria Crown cancel, F. 24.00. A copy of Jarrett's 1929 BNA catalog went for 35.00.

Plate Block Charlie Says:

I have been asked for my opinion on the value of plate blocks in used condition. Here it is:

I can see no reason why used plate blocks should not be worth just as much as mint plate blocks. You can perhaps pick up the odd used plate block in some of the earlier issues, but could you complete any of them? Some of the 1937 issues, through the War issues are almost impossible to get hold of in mint condition. So what chance have you of getting them in used condition.

Yes, used plate blocks are worth just as much as mint plate blocks. Anyone having used plate blocks of #231, P9, 10, 11, particularly plate 10-11, really has something worth just as much or more than mint plate blocks.

Try picking up some of #233 Plate 13, 16, 18, 20, 23 in used condition. Just try getting them in mint condition. How about #249, Plate 9 in nice used condition. I would put a value on this set in used condition at about $75.00. The dealers' value on this set in mint is about $55.00.

Where would you get some of those tough plates in #251, 252, 254, 257 in used condition. Try to imagine what #252, Plate 6, 7, 10 would be worth in sets, in used condition. #257, Plate 4 and 5 are nearly impossible to get hold of in mint condition. What hope is there of getting them in used condition.

I saw an auction list not long ago in which were a great lot of Royal Visit plate blocks in used condition. What a lovely lot they were. The estimated value of this lot was over $250.00, so used plate blocks do have a high value on them. I have not seen the results of the sale as yet, but will be greatly surprised if they do not bring in as much as the mint sets, which were also listed.

You will find some of our more recent issues in various plates hard to complete in used condition. Current issues and plate changes can of course be picked up at face, and mailed to yourself on cover, or ask your local postmaster or postal clerk to cancel them for you.

A collection of plate blocks with R.P.O. cancellations would be a nice thing to have. In fact, with so many of our railway mail cars being taken out of service across the country, in favor of the M.V.S.—Motor Vehicle Service, a collection of R.P.O. plate blocks would be a valuable thing to have.

I do not believe there will be any M.V.S. cancellations. These motor vehicles are trucks of various types and sizes depending upon the run they are on and the volume of mail to be carried. They only deliver and pick up bagged mail at the various post offices called on.

I have said nothing about high value used blocks. It is very rarely you see any of these in used condition. If you are interested in used plate blocks, confine your efforts to the lower values, say perhaps up to the 10c value. These will give you plenty to think about.

Well, so much for my opinion of used plate blocks. My own interests are in mint plate blocks which is trouble enough for me. And now I must put in a word or two about mint plate blocks. Have you completed your 1954 Queen 4c Plate 4 yet? If not, do so now, as in the case of the 1953 Queen 3c Plate 4, there may be plenty of them later on and then there may not. I have correspondents asking me for them but I am unable to fill their wants. I had a dealer ask me if I could let him have ten to twenty sets of them, well centered—what a hope. I did not have even one set off centered. Also get those 5c Plate 8 while you can. There does not seen to be too many of them around. Even an off centered copy will be better than no plate at all.

One of my correspondents has drawn my attention to a variety in the Scout issue. He says he has both plate one and two U.R. with no hyphen between the plate numbers, also with the plate numbers very faint. I have checked my small stock of these but can find nothing wrong with them. Better check yours.

What a beautiful pair of headaches we are being burdened with this month. The artist ? must have a grudge against the world in general and stamp collectors in particular. May I suggest that we get rid of

these nightmares as quickly as possible. If any of you have parcels to send away, or are registering anything, put as many of these "Gargoyles" as possible on your mailings.

Glad to have been with you. Cheerio and good hunting.—P. B. Charlie.

RAMBLING GOSSIP

By Mufti

Our two new stamps due for delivery early in June are a welcome change in design to what we have had latterly and look like a couple of fine printings according to illustrations received from Ottawa, they will be given a welcome by the majority of us here and our friends abroad will be glad to see a couple of worth-while issues from our country.

Speaking of Wild Life stamps we will soon be able to review some delightful issues by the U.S.A. which may be an eye-opener for our P.M.G. and an incentive to give us improved designs in the future.

The Stanley Gibbons Centenary Exhibition in London was given wide publicity and visited by a large number of philatelists and the public. An interesting book has just come to hand which gives a detailed history of the firm's activities since their inception, it is well illustrated.

The Monaco wedding issue which is reported to be a limited one, is not meeting with a very cordial reception by the Stanley Gibbons firm in London and it has been suggested that they may not give the set catalog recognition. From what we understand later regarding these stamps is that this special issue is being authoritively handled. Being a commemorative set it may no doubt be obtained by a number of collectors. It may be remembered by some that at the time of our 1897 Jubilee issue Gibbons claimed they were an unnecessary issue. The high values of some of the stamps in those early days were the cause of criticism by many, the set however in later years has turned out to be most popular and gained heavily in value.

The De La Rue firm of engravers in London gave some valuable assistance to the display value of the Fipex show in New York by sending over special representatives and an exceptional exhibit the value of which was over the $150,000 mark and was the source of great attraction.

Australia promises a set of four stamps for the coming Olympic Games and we read that the Swiss firm of Courvoicer will be printing the 2/ denomination, this issue will be the first Australian stamps to be printed by modern photogravure methods.

Among the boosts mentioned in the London "SC" weekly reference is made to the scarceness of our 1908 Tercentenary set and that they are far from being plentiful overseas. A reminder tip is given to collectors to complete the last issue of the Falkland issue of Geo. 6th as a present scarcity is noted. The New Zealand Southland issue is also mentioned as a good future set.

Re the new Queen Jamaica set it is reported the issue will be straddled in delivery, which will be a help to many collectors.

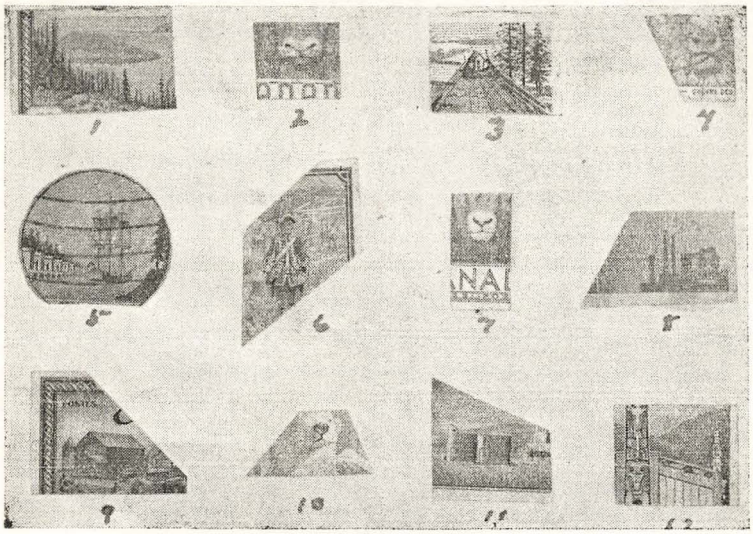
Until we meet again, cheerio everyone.

TORONTO STAMP COLLECTORS' CLUB

The April meetings were well attended, although some of our members, including Mr. C. F. Foster the perennial secretary, were still absent on winter vacations.

The meeting of April 19 heard an interesting paper suitably illustrated by the speaker's collection on Canadian stamps with perforated initials, presented by member Robt. J. Woolley. Mr. Woolley is the secretary of the B.N.A.P.S. Perfin Study Group, has edited the handbook on this topic prepared by the B.N.A.P.S. and displayed a collection which is approximately 90% complete. With such a guide now available this fascinating sideline of Canadian Philately should gain in popularity and perhaps fewer of them will be discarded as damaged stamps.

Paramount Stamps, Box 55, Sta. D, Toronto 9, has brought out a comprehensive five page, foolscap size Canadian plate block list priced at 25c (refundable) which will be of interest to many.



Some years ago we ran a few puzzle pictures that brought some interest. Herewith is another. Portions of 12 different stamps are shown. Can you identify the various stamps from which they were taken.

OBITUARY

Death has claimed another outstanding collector of B.N.A. stamps in the person of Mr. Charles L. Brisley who passed away suddenly at Lake Worth, Florida. We first knew him when he was resident at Bloomingdale, Mich., and having been born near Sarnia, Ont., in the same county as your editor, drew us to him. He was a great traveller and attended many philatelic events. Of a most friendly disposition he attracted many to him for advice and companionship. He won the Grand Award for his Canada collection at Chicago in 1936 and contributed the Brisley Grand Award Trophy under C.P.S. auspices.

FIPEX WINNERS

Among prizewinners at the recent Fipex World Philatelic Exhibition by readers of P.S., chiefly in the Br. Empire and B.N.A. field were: Gold Medal with diamond, Wm. E. Lea, Manchester, Eng. (Great Britain); Gold Medal, Nicholas Argenti, London, Eng. (New Bruns. & Nova Scotia); Silver Gilt Medal, Wm. E. Lea, Manchester, Eng. (Canada); Silver Medal, Chas. de Volpi, Montreal, Que. (Canada); A. G. Fairbanks, Westmount, Que. (Canada); Henry Whittaker, Victoria, B.C. (Sudan); Bronze Medal, V. L. Eardley-Wilmot, Victoria, B.C. (Gt. Britain); A. G. Fairbanks, Westmount, Que. (New Bruns. & N.S.); C. G. Kemp, Montreal, Que. (Australia); Evan R. Gill, Liverpool, Eng. (Papua); Gold Medal, Hans Lundgren, Toronto (Old German States & Norway); Bronze Medal, Herbert Dude, Toronto (Austria 1850); Silver Gilt Medal, Henry Borden, Toronto (Brazil); Silver Medal, Harold E. M. Bradshaw, Vancouver, B.C. (Japan); Silver Gilt Medal, Dr. L. Seale Holmes, London, Ont. (Canadian Airmails).

Two old ladies arrived at a baseball game just as the batter hit a home run. They sat watching the game in silence until—several innings later—the same batter came up to bat and he hit another home run.

One of the ladies tapped the other on the shoulder and said:

"Let's go. This is where we came in."

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35 6p	1.25	—
35a 6p	.70	—
37 1/-	1.00	1.00
42 1p on 4	.70	—
43 ½p	.15	.14
44 1p	.15	.14
49 2p	1.00	.85
50 ½p	.12	.12
51 1p	—	.12
52 2½p	—	.60
54 6p	1.00	—
55 1/-	2.25	—
57 ½p	.10	.10
58 1p	.12	—
59 2½p	.35	.35
60 3p	.35	—
61 6p	1.50	1.60
62 1/-	1.50	—
64 ½p	.08	.08
65 1p	.10	.08
65a 1p	—	.08
66 2p	.35	—
67 2½p	.35	.35
68 3p die 2	1.20	—
69 6p	.50	—
71 1/-	.55	.60
73 4p	—	.35
76 ½p	.08	.08
77 1p	.55	—
78 1p	.10	.10
79 1½p	.12	—
80 2p	.15	.14
81 2½p	.18	—
82 2½p	1.25	—
86 6p	.30	—
87 1/-	—	.85
91 ½p	.10	.10
91-4 set	2.25	—
95 ½p	.06	.06
96 1p	.09	.09
97 1½p	.12	.12
98 2p	.12	—
99 2½p	.12	—
100 3p	.12	—
101 4p	.18	—
102 6p	.25	.25
103 1/-	.50	.50
104 2/6	1.50	—
107-9 set	.20	.22
110 ½p	—	.03
111 1p	—	.04
111 14¾x14	.50	—
112 1½d	—	.08
113 2p	—	.06
113 14¾x14	.50	—
114 2½p	—	.08
115 3p	—	.08
116 6p	—	.38
117 8p	—	.30
118 1/-	—	.25
118 perf 12	—	.80
110-18 set to 1/-	.75	—
119 2/-	.55	—
120 3/-	1.00	—
121 5/-	1.20	1.20
122 10/-	2.25	2.35
123 20/-	4.85	5.00
124-5 set	.10	.12
126 1p	.15	.10
127 2½p	.07	.07
128 3½p	.10	.11
129 1p	.06	—
130 20/-	5.50	5.75
131-4 UPU	.55	.55
135-44 set	.65	.70
135-48 comp	7.50	—
149-50 set	.15	.15
151 12c	.20	.20
152-5 set	.28	.28
J3	.06	—
J4	.09	—
MR1 scarce	1.00	1.00
MR2	.06	.06
ST. VINCENT		
3 6p	—	2.25
40 2½p on 1p	—	.65
41 ½p	.10	.10
42 1p	—	.85
43 1p	—	.20
44 1p	1.00	.45
45 2½p	.80	.80
49 4p	.35	—
50 5p	1.20	—
51 6p	8.50	—
52 6p	.55	—
53 1/-	1.00	—
55 1p Opt.	1.25	—
56 2½p opt.	.20	.12
56a 2½p opt.	1.25	—
56b 2½p opt.	—	.25
59 5p opt.	.30	—
62 ½p	.10	.10
63 1p	.30	—
65 3p	.90	—
66 4p	.75	—
67 5p	.90	—
71 ½p	.12	.12
72 1p	.18	.18
73 2p	.55	—
74 2½p	.90	—
78 2/-	2.25	2.00
79 5/-	4.75	—
80 ½p	.18	—
81 1p	.55	.16
85 6p	—	1.60
90 ½p	.10	—
91 1p	.25	.16
92 2p	.90	—
94 3p	1.25	—
95 1p	.35	.15
99 1p	.15	.14
100 2p cr.	.40	—
101 2½p	.50	—
104 ½p	.05	—
105 1p	.07	.05
106 2p	.40	—
107 2½p	.20	—
108 3p	.35	—
109 4p	.25	—
110 5p	.50	—
111 6p	.35	—
112 1/-	.90	—
114 2/-	1.25	—
115 5/-	2.50	—
117 opt.	.90	—
118 ½p	.06	.05
119 1p	.07	.07
120 1½p	.12	.12
121 2p	.15	—
122 2½p	.25	—
123 3p	.45	—
126 5p	.45	—
127 6p	.45	—
128 1/-	.75	—
129 2/-	1.50	—
130 5/-	3.25	—
134 1p	.10	.08
136 2½p	.45	—
137 1/-	1.50	—
134-7 set	2.10	—
138-40	.22	.24
141 ½p	.03	.03
142 1p	.03	.04
143 1½p	.04	.05
144 2p	.05	.05

ott Row, SAINT JOHN, N.B.

	M	U
145 2½p	.06	.06
145a 2½p	.07	.07
146 3p	.07	.07
146a 3½p	.07	.08
147 6p	.10	.12
148 1/-	.25	.22
141-8 set to 1/-	.75	.75
149 2/-	.48	—
149a 2/6	.90	—
150 5/-	1.20	—
151 20/-	4.80	5.20
150a 10/-	2.40	—
152-3	.11	.11
154 1½p	.07	.08
155 20/-	5.85	5.85
156 1c	.03	.03
157 2c	.03	.03
158 3c	.05	.03
159 4c	.05	.06
160 5c	.05	.04
161 6c	.07	.09
162 7c	.07	.07
163 12c	.10	.12
164 24c	.20	.20
156-64 set to 24c	65	.65
165 48c	.40	.40
166 60c	.50	.50
167 1.20	1.10	1.10
168 2.40	2.10	2.55
169 4.80	4.10	4.10
170-3 UPU	.55	—
174-5 set	.22	.22
176-9 set	.32	.35
180 1c	.02	—
181 3c	.03	—
182 4c	.04	—
183 6c	.06	—
184 10c	.10	—
180-4 set		.30
MR-1	.25	—
MR1b	.30	—

TURKS & CAICOS

	M	U
1 ½p	.20	—
2 1p	.20	—
3 2p	.20	—
4 2½p	.25	—
5 4p	.45	—
6 6p	.50	—
7 1/-	.70	—
8 2/-	7.00	—
9 3/-	—	5.00
10 ½p	.20	—
11 1p	.55	.60
12 3p	.90	—
13 ½p	.10	—
14 1p	.12	—
15 2p	.35	—
16 2½p	—	.65
17 3p	.45	—
18 4p	.95	—
19 6p	.55	—
20 1/-	.90	—
21 2/-	1.85	—
22 3/-	2.25	—
23 ¼p	.06	—
24 ¼p	.05	—
25 ½p	.07	—
26 1p	.08	—
27 2p	.10	—
28 2½p	.20	—
29 3p	.20	—
30 4p	.35	—
31 5p	.45	—
32 6p	.35	—
33 1/-	.45	—
34 2/-	1.20	—
35 3/-	1.70	—
37 ½p	.08	—
38 1p	.10	—
39 2p	.18	—
40 2½p	.45	—
41 5p	.90	—
42 6p	1.25	—
43 1/-	3.25	—
44 ¼p	.05	—
45 ½p	.07	—
46 1p	.10	—
47 1½p	.18	—
48 2p	.18	—
49 2½p	.18	—
50 3p	.18	—
51 4p	.18	—
52 5p	.25	—
53 6p	.20	—
54 1/-	.45	—
55 2/-	1.25	—
56 2/-	3.75	—
57 3/-	1.45	—
60 ½p	.07	—
61 1p	.07	.07
62 1½p	.10	—
63 2p	.09	.10
64 2½p	.12	—
65 3p	.12	—
66 6p	.20	—
68 2/-	.90	—
69 5/-	2.00	—
71-4	1.50	—
75-7	.22	.22
78 ¼p	.02	.03
79 ½p	.04	.03
80 1p	.05	.04
81 1½p	.05	.04
82 2p	.06	.05
83 2½p	.08	.05
84 3p	.06	.06
85 6p	—	1.00
85a 6p	.10	.12
86a 1/-	.20	.25
78-86a (9) to 1/	.65	.65
87 2/-	—	.50
88 5/	—	1.25
89 10/-	—	2.50
90-1	.10	.11
92 1p	.06	.06
93 10/-	2.10	—
94 ½p	.04	.04
95 2p	.06	.06
96 3p	.08	.09
97 6p	.15	.15
98 2/-	.50	.50
99 5/-	1.10	—
100 10/-	2.25	—
99-100 set comp.	6.00	—
101-4 UPU	.55	—
105 ½p	—	.03
107 1½p	—	.04
108 2p	—	.05
109 2½p	—	.05
111 4p	—	.08
112 6p	—	.08
113 1/-	—	.20
105-13 set to 1/-	.65	.65
115 2/-	.45	.35
116 5/-	1.00	1.00
117 10/-	2.00	2.00
105-17 comp	3.95	—
MR1	.10	—
MR3	.07	—
MR4	.20	—
MR7	.07	—
MR9	.14	—
MR10	.05	—
MR11	.14	—
MR12	.05	—
MR13	.10	—

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HIGH HONOUR FOR FORMER CANADIAN

Word comes from England that Mr. John Campbell Cartwright of Tunbridge Wells, England, has been elected to sign the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists at the Brighton Congress on June the 8th. Mr. Cartwright was among the first of our subscribers when P.S. entered the field in 1941 and has continued a reader since that time. He was then a resident of Winnipeg, Manitoba, and president of the Winnipeg Philatelic Society. For the past several years he has been resident in England.

His identification with Philately has been wide and varied. It is almost stunning the amount of activity he has crowded into a forty-odd year of philatelic events. He must have spent a couple of decades before that getting ready for it.

Following, Notable Collections: McArthur Cup for best display European Country (Portugal, Embossed Heads); Howes Trophy for Specialized Foreign Country (Mexico); Best Educational display, First Canadian Exhibition, Yorkton 1923; McArthur Cup, Specialized Foreign Country, Second Canadian Philatelic Exhibition, Winnipeg 1924; Bronze Medal, Specialized European, Third Can. Philatelic Exhibition, Montreal 1925; Brewer Trophy, Tunbridge Wells Society 1949-1953; Bronze Medal, Brighton & Hove, Canada, 1952.

Literary work—papers, etc: Editor, Royal Union Collectors Exchange (Canada) 1913-1919; Silver Medal for Paper, Winnipeg Exhibition. 1924: Silver Medal for Paper, Montreal Exhibition, 1925; Canadian Comments Kent and Sussex, for Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain, 1948; Editor, "Pantiles Post," Tunbridge Wells Society, 1950-55.

In organization work he organized Birtle Stamp Club, Manitoba 1912; First Stamp Convention to be held in the West at Yorkton, Saskatchewan, 1922; First Canadian Stamp Exhibition, Yorkton, 1923, acted as secretary; Canadian Philatelic Extension Committee (Pres. 1924-28); Yorkton Stamp Society; Royal Union Collectors Exchange 1913; Special Post Office and cancellation Winnipeg Silver Jubilee Stamp Exhibition, 1935; Avoca Stamp Club for Juniors, Winnipeg, 1937; Tunbridge Wells Philatelic Society, 1945.

President of 32nd Congress of Great Britain, Tunbridge Wells, 1950.

At one time member of the following clubs and organizations: Birtle Stamp Club, Manitoba, Canada—Founder and First President; Portage La Prairie Stamp Club, Manitoba; Yorkton Stamp Society, Saskatchewan — Founder and First Pres.; Canadian Philatelic Extension Committee, Yorkton, Sask. — President, 1924-28; First Canadian Stamp Exhibition, Yorkton, Sask. — Secretary, 1923; Second Canadian Stamp Exhibition, Winnipeg, Man.—Judge and Committee; Junior Philatelic Society, England, 1924 (5892); Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, 1935 onwards; Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain— Elected Fellow 1950, president 1951; Winnipeg Silver Jubilee Stamp Exhibition —President, 1935; Tunbrige Wells Philatelic Society — Founder and First President, President 1949-50, 1952-53, 1955; Winnipeg Philatelic Society—Hon. Life Member, President 1930-32, 1935-44; Royal Philatelic Society (London, Eng.) — Member 1946, Fellow 1953; Brighton and Hove Philatelic Society; Queen of the West, Winnipeg, Man. (Junior 1935-36); Avoca Stamp Club, Winnipeg, Man. (Junior) 1937; Y.M.C.A. Stamp Club, Winnipeg, Man. (Junior).

British North America Philatelic Society, U.S.A.—Regional Director; 32nd Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, Tunbridge Wells, Kent 1950 (Chairman); Permanent Congress Executive Committee, 1950 onwards; Collectors Club of America; American Philatelic Society (4237); Royal Union Collectors Exchange; Manitoba Representative National Federation Stamp Clubs, Inc.; Modern Collectors Club; Hobby Club of Winnipeg, Man.; Kent Federation of Philatelic Societies, Eng., President 1955-56.

Doctor—Hm-m; do you have bouts of giddiness. Mrs. J.?

Mrs. J.—I should say not. I'm a respectable married woman.

Woodstock Jul & 1832

By Frank W. Campbell

The above New Brunswick marking is the first new straight line postmark found in the last five years, insofar as has been reported to the carry-on of the Canada Stampless Cover catalog. Petite Nation and St. John, L.C., were found at CAPEX as the last new ones noted.

These straight lines of type in all instances preceded the ordinary round postmarks of the present day. Loose type thus used was not a very satisfactory thing to stamp letters with.

The "&" is a rather unusual way of dating things, but at that time letters were collected at Woodstock for an occasional sending on to Quebec, every week or so. Until July 6, 1843, all New Brunswick post offices north of Fredericton, which would include Woodstock, were subject to Quebec for management but in lists they were noted as being in "N.B." Woodstock opened in 1830, and the first round postmark was a double circle "Woodstock-N. Bk." first seen on mail about 1839. The next post office opened north of there was Madawaska in 1837, changing to Edmundston in 1845.

The letter with the above straight line marking was sent to Montreal and the day of the month it was sent on being indefinite was probably the reason for the "&." Oddly, the Quebec marking on the same letter had "JY 16" in the handstamp, and it was overprinted a "24" in the same style of type. Never before has this overprinted style of an extra date been seen.

New items for the stampless catalog are still being collected, but a new printing is far in the future on account of the cost of printing. It may never have a second edition. The present, first, edition of a few years ago will soon be in the rare class with Jarrett's and Boggs' book, and as the early postal data of Canada contained in it is so complete collectors should have a copy which still sells for the few left at the 1947 price.

I would be very happy if someone would sell me an 1882 Scobie's Canadian Almanac. I use them for getting the postmaster's name in my researching. I own about 30 scattered dates, this book being the only source of postmaster's names from 1852 on to 1875 when the present Postal Guide started. The names of postmasters are used to check on name changes or location moves, as so often the postmaster moved taking the office with him—in one instance, McMartin's Point, 1874, 1885, moved across the river from Ontario to Quebec in 1879, with the same postmaster, Peter McMartin. This Almanac was started in 1848 by Henry Scobie, 1811-1852, who had a newspaper in Toronto called the British Colonist. I have a letter in his handwriting, dated 1842, to Goderich pleading with his agent there to try to collect subscription rates from the wealthiest inhabitants whom he named in the letter. After 1869 all provinces are listed in the post office groups, before that only Canada West and East are listed. After 1870 about 50 offices closed or changed names each year.

I note a tendency to collect the "7" style of postmarks as shown in Holmes' new book. This rather small one-part-circle mark fits completely on any stamp, hence its tendency to be popular. The style started in 1855 or thereabout, so this is its Centennial. I have a printed circular with this postmark style for all interested askers. Write Frank Campbell, 1132 Pinehurst, Royal Oak, Mich., U.S.A.

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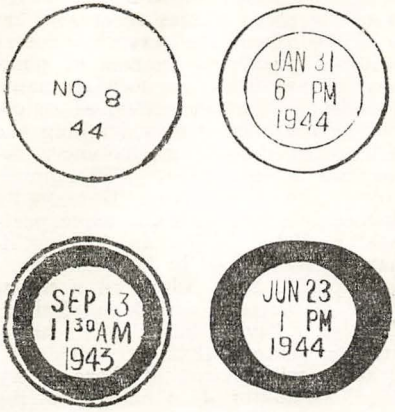

BLACKOUT POSTMARKS

During the war a number of seaport post offices used what was termed blackout cancels on overseas mail. The idea was to conceal the port from which the mail was dispatched should it fall into enemy hands. Letters addressed inland also bore this postmark from these ports—at least some of them did. Recently a number of old covers with these postmarks came to light in our office and sortting them over we have found so far that they were used in 1943-44 and 45 and possibly earlier. In this particular batch of covers the black circle inside a thin outside ring illustrated above turned up as the most numerous. It was used at a number of different offices. The two ring (light circles) turned up in lesser quantity. Only one of the wider solid black ring showed up; also only one of the single ring was found in the lot to date.

Whether there were other such postmarks used we do not know at this time, and would be interested to know. Probably at this date, a decade since the war, these covers may be hard to come by. No doubt there are postmark collectors who have them in their collections. We would like to contact collectors of these—Canada blackout pmk's only.

LETTERS UNANSWERED

The following is a bona fide letter in our files from a substantial adult collector. This is a serious accusation. We cannot believe that it involves our professional full-time stamp dealers. We sometimes buy stamps ourselves and have had prompt and considerate treatment from them. If it involves amateur or part time dealers, they won't be dealers long if they adopt this attitude. Or if private collectors using condensed ads they should not advertise if not prepared to give attention to replies. Of course enquirers might err in not including return postage. If your letters do not include an actual order but asks only for some trivial information, doubtful of a return order—well, the advertiser may have been swamped with such, and postage costs money. Inclusion of postage might be real insurance for a reply.

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A week or two later, I wrote to nine American firms and two English firms, advertising in another periodical. I have had airmail replies from both English firms and replies by regular mail from all but one of the American dealers.

If the Canadian dealers are not equipped to handle correspondence it is an easy matter for anyone to at least return my letter with a note at the bottom saying "Nothing to offer at the moment."

Possibly I am just a bit old-fashioned, but I have been taught that in the business world it pays to be just a bit polite, even in good times, so that should less fortunate times be with us in the future, customers will think well of past associations.

Yours very truly,

A Subscriber.

TORONTO ITEM

Officers elected for the 1956-57 season of North Toronto Stamp Club:

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COLLECTS NEW CANCEL

Mr. Lindsay M. McLennan, 176 Locke St. S., Hamilton, Ont., is a collector of the new, large two-ring cancel and to date has located samples from the following cities and would be glad to learn of others. The list—Brantford, Calgary, Edmonton, Halifax, Hamilton, London, Moncton, Moose Jaw, Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Peterboro, Quebec, Regina, Saint John, N.B., St. John's, Nfld., Saskatoon, Sudbury, Vancouver, Windsor, Winnipeg.

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Other officers elected were: Secretary, J. H. Robertson; Treasurer, Jacques Grenier; Directors, P. Bigue and Nick Lagios; Publicity, E. S. Anasir; Librarian, E. M. Weisman; President of the Junior Club, R. Lauson. Club meetings on second Tuesday and fourth Wednesday of each month.

CANADA

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O3a	3c narrow spacing (3)	2.25	—	—	—	—
O4	4c red	3.00	.48	.12	.35	.06
O4a	4c narrow spacing (4)	4.25	—	—	—	—
On 1946 Peace Issue						
O6	10c olive	2.00	1.00	.25	.35	.06
O7	14c black brown	2.25	1.20	.30	1.20	.10
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O12a	1c narrow spacing (3)	2.00	—	—	—	—
O13	2c brown	1.50	.24	.06	.32	.08
O14	3c purple	1.75	.28	.07	.25	.04
O15	4c red	2.25	.40	.10	.25	.03
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O19	4c red	1.50	.32	.08	.35	.04
O20	5c blue	4.00	.40	.10	.35	.07
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O21	10c Great Bear Lake	2.00	.64	.18	.35	.06
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